

EFFECTIVE

May 1, 2021.

Subject(s)***Unsupervised Parenting Time***

Parenting times **should be unsupervised** unless one or more of the following conditions exist:

- There is a court order for supervised visits and with no discretion granted for unsupervised visits.
- There is a reasonable likelihood of serious harm to the child if parenting time is unsupervised, as evidenced by one of the following harm factors being identified on the **most recent** safety assessment:
 - Caregiver(s) caused serious harm to the child and/or made a plausible threat to cause serious physical harm in the current investigation or report period.
 - The family has refused access to the child or there is reason to believe that the family will flee with the child.
 - Caretaker's behavior toward child is violent or out-of-control.

Caseworkers may periodically **observe** unsupervised parenting time to assess family functioning and relationships, parenting skills, and compliance with the parenting time plan.

[FOM 722-06I, Maintaining Connections: Parenting Time, Sibling Visitations, and Contact](#) has been revised to include these requirements.

Reason: Children's Services Agency recommendation.

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Changed Items ...

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